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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

WILLIAM WITTER, an individual

Plaintiff,

v.

AMERICAN NATIONAL PROPERTY
AND CASUALTY COMPANY, a foreign
entity

Defendant

2:24-CV-01923-GMN-EJY

**PROPOSED DISCOVERY PLAN
AND SCHEDULING ORDER
SUBMITTED IN COMPLIANCE
WITH LR 26-1(b)**

Plaintiff and Defendant, by and through their respective counsel, submit this proposed discovery plan and scheduling order.

Fed.R.Civ.P. 26(f) Conference

The parties conducted their initial FRCP 26(f) conference on January 10, 2025, and there were no discovery disputes at that time. All parties agreed to exchange their rule 26 disclosures by January 24, 2025, which is two weeks after the FRCP 26(f) conference.



1 Based upon counsels' review of the evidence in this case, the parties now
2 propose the following discovery plan:

3 **1. Discovery Cut-Off Date:** Defendant filed its petition for removal on
4 October 16, 2024. Based upon the evidence reviewed by counsel, the parties
5 require six months for discovery. Specifically, the parties request 180 days for
6 discovery from the date of the initial rule 26 conference, which equates to a
7 discovery cut-off date of July 10, 2025 .

8 **2. Amending the Pleadings and Adding Parties:** The parties request
9 that all motions to amend the pleadings or to add parties be filed by April 11,
10 2025— 90 days before the proposed close of discovery.

11 **3. Fed.R.Civ.P. 26(a)(2) Disclosures (Experts):** The parties request the
12 disclosure of experts be made on or before May 9, 2025— 60 days before the
13 proposed discovery cut-off date. Disclosure of rebuttal experts shall be made by
14 June 6, 2025 — 30 days after the initial disclosure of experts.

15 **4. Dispositive Motions:** The date for filing dispositive motions shall not be
16 later than 08/11/2025— 30 days after the proposed discovery cut-off date. In the
17 event that the discovery period is extended from the discovery cut-off date set forth
18 in this proposed Discovery Plan and Scheduling Order, the date for filing
19 dispositive motions shall be extended to be not later than 30 days from the
20 subsequent discovery cut-off date.

21 **5. Pretrial Order:** The date for filing the joint pretrial order shall not be
22 later than September 10, 2025— 30 days after the cut-off date for filing dispositive
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1 motions. In the event that dispositive motions are filed, the date for filing the joint
2 pretrial order shall be suspended until 30 days after entry of an order deciding such
3 motions, or until further order of the court. In the further event that the discovery
4 period is extended from the discovery cut-off date set forth in this discovery plan
5 and scheduling order, the date for filing the joint pretrial order shall be extended in
6 accordance with the time periods set forth in this paragraph.

7 **6. Fed.R.Civ.P. 26(a)(3) Disclosures:** The disclosures required by
8 Fed.R.Civ.P.26(a)(3), and any objections thereto, shall be included in the joint
9 pretrial order.

10 **7. Extensions or Modifications of the Discovery Plan and**
11 **Scheduling Order:** Any stipulation or motion must be made no later than 21 days
12 before the subject deadline. Requests to extend discovery deadlines must comply
13 fully with LR 26-4.

14 **8. Alternative Dispute Resolution.** The parties met and conferred at
15 the rule 26 conference regarding the possibility of using alternative dispute
16 resolution processes, namely arbitration and mediation.

17 **9. Alternative Forms of Case Disposition.** The parties met and
18 conferred regarding the use of a magistrate judge for all purposes or to submit to
19 the Short Trial Program.

20 **10. Electronic Evidence.** The parties met and conferred regarding the
21 use of electronic evidence and presenting the same to the jury. They will present
22 evidence to the jury in a format that will be compatible with the Court's jury
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evidence display system, with each party responsible for preparing their respective exhibits to comply.

11. Consent to Service by Electronic Means through Electronic Mail. The undersigned consent to service of documents by electronic means via electronic mail and/or facsimile for all documents to be served outside of the CM/ECF system.

FRCP 26(f)(3) VIEWS AND PROPOSALS

A. Initial Disclosures:

The parties agree to make initial disclosures on or before January 24, 2025.

B. Subjects On Which Discovery May Be Needed:

The parties agree that the subjects of discovery shall include liability, causation, and damages of all forms.

C. Whether Discovery Should Be Conducted In Phases Or Be Limited To Or Focused On Particular Issues

The parties agree that discovery need not be conducted in phases.

D. Issues Regarding Disclosure Of Electronically Stored Information, Including The Form Or Forms In Which It Should Be Produced:

The parties agree that no issues currently exist regarding the disclosure or discovery of electronically stored information.

E. Issues Regarding Claims Of Privilege Or Protection Of Pre-Trial Materials:



1 The parties agree to act in a manner that protects information entitled to be
2 kept confidential and to ensure that protection is limited to material entitled to any
3 such protections. The parties will work together, where possible, to establish an
4 appropriate scope of discovery as it relates to privileged communications in their
5 materials.

6 **F. Changes That Should Be Made In The Limitations On Discovery**
7 **Imposed Under These Rules Or By Local Rule:**

8 None.

9 **G. Orders That The Court Should Issue Under Rule 26(c)(or Rule**
10 **16(b) and (c):**

11 None.

12 DATED January 29, 2025

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18 **ORDER**

19 IT IS SO ORDERED:

20 DATED: January 29, 2025

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22 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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